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## Army Corps of Engineers to Conduct Charleston Peninsula Flood Risk Management Study

**Charleston, S.C.**— The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District recently received funding to conduct a Flood Risk Management Study of the Charleston Peninsula to determine cost effective strategies to provide long-term risk reduction from flooding.

Mayor John Tecklenburg said, "This Flood Risk Study is critical to help us identify problem areas and prioritize our current flood prevention efforts on the peninsula. We are extremely grateful for the help and expertise of the Corps and look forward to collaborating with them to find cost effective, long term initiatives to address the challenge of flooding in our city."

The study is being financed entirely through federal funds, as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, and is expected to cost less than \$3 million and be completed within three years.

The Corps will work in collaboration with city departments to define a scope of work and evaluate potential flood risk prevention strategies and improvements throughout the course of the study.

The city has been actively planning and employing numerous measures that address flooding city-wide, and this new study will take into account actions already completed or underway, as well as those expected to be completed in the coming years.

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Palazzini, Charleston District Commander, said, "The \$3 million supplemental funding the Corps has received will enable us to study possible long-term solutions that could help reduce flooding on the City of Charleston's peninsula. We are excited to receive funding for this study and look forward to getting started on it."

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